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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

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[Internal Agency Docket No. FEMA-B-1312]

Proposed Flood Hazard Determinations

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Comments are requested on proposed flood hazard determinations, which may include additions or modifications of any Base Flood Elevation (BFE), base flood depth, Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) boundary or zone designation, or regulatory floodway on the Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs), and where applicable, in the supporting Flood Insurance Study (FIS) reports for the communities listed in the table below. The purpose of this notice is to seek general information and comment regarding the preliminary FIRM, and where applicable, the FIS report that the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has provided to the affected communities. The FIRM and FIS report are the basis of the floodplain management measures that the community is required either to adopt or to show evidence of having in effect in order to qualify or remain qualified for participation in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). In addition, the FIRM and FIS report, once effective, will be used by insurance agents and others to calculate appropriate flood insurance premium rates for new buildings and the contents of those buildings.

DATES: Comments are to be submitted on or before [INSERT DATE 90 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: The Preliminary FIRM, and where applicable, the FIS report for each community are available for inspection at both the online location and the respective Community Map Repository address listed in the tables below. Additionally, the current effective FIRM and FIS report for each community are accessible online through the FEMA Map Service Center at www.msc.fema.gov for comparison.

You may submit comments, identified by Docket No. FEMA-B-1312, to Luis Rodriguez, Chief, Engineering Management Branch, Federal Insurance and Mitigation Administration, FEMA, 500 C Street SW., Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-4064, or (e-mail) <u>Luis.Rodriguez3@fema.dhs.gov.</u>

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Luis Rodriguez, Chief, Engineering Management Branch, Federal Insurance and Mitigation Administration, FEMA, 500 C Street SW., Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-4064, or (e-mail) Luis.Rodriguez3@fema.dhs.gov; or visit the FEMA Map Information eXchange (FMIX)

online at www.floodmaps.fema.gov/fhm/fmx_main.html.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: FEMA proposes to make flood hazard determinations for each community listed below, in accordance with section 110 of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973, 42 U.S.C. 4104, and 44 CFR 67.4(a).

These proposed flood hazard determinations, together with the floodplain management criteria required by 44 CFR 60.3, are the minimum that are required. They should not be construed to mean that the community must change any existing ordinances

that are more stringent in their floodplain management requirements. The community may at any time enact stricter requirements of its own or pursuant to policies established by other Federal, State, or regional entities. These flood hazard determinations are used to meet the floodplain management requirements of the NFIP and also are used to calculate the appropriate flood insurance premium rates for new buildings built after the FIRM and FIS report become effective.

The communities affected by the flood hazard determinations are provided in the tables below. Any request for reconsideration of the revised flood hazard information shown on the Preliminary FIRM and FIS report that satisfies the data requirements outlined in 44 CFR 67.6(b) is considered an appeal. Comments unrelated to the flood hazard determinations also will be considered before the FIRM and FIS report become effective.

Use of a Scientific Resolution Panel (SRP) is available to communities in support of the appeal resolution process. SRPs are independent panels of experts in hydrology, hydraulics, and other pertinent sciences established to review conflicting scientific and technical data and provide recommendations for resolution. Use of the SRP only may be exercised after FEMA and local communities have been engaged in a collaborative consultation process for at least 60 days without a mutually acceptable resolution of an appeal. Additional information regarding the SRP process can be found online at http://floodsrp.org/pdfs/srp_fact_sheet.pdf.

The watersheds and/or communities affected are listed in the tables below. The Preliminary FIRM, and where applicable, FIS report for each community are available for

inspection at both the online location and the respective Community Map Repository address listed in the tables. Additionally, the current effective FIRM and FIS report for each community are accessible online through the FEMA Map Service Center at www.msc.fema.gov for comparison.

Mason County, Michigan (All Jurisdictions) Maps Available for Inspection Online at: http://www.starr-team.com/starr/RegionalWorkspaces/RegionV/MasonCoMI/SitePages/Home.aspx	
Community	Community Map Repository Address
Charter Township of Pere Marquette	Pere Marquette Charter Township Hall 1699 South Pere Marquette Highway Ludington, MI 49431
City of Ludington	City Hall 400 South Harrison Street Ludington, MI 49431
Township of Amber	Amber Township Hall 171 South Amber Road Scottville, MI 49454
Township of Branch	Branch Township Hall 6688 East First Street Walhalla, MI 49458
Township of Custer	Custer Municipal Building/Fire Barn 2549 East U.S. Highway 10 Custer, MI 49405
Township of Eden	Eden Township Hall 3369 East Hawley Road Custer, MI 49405
Township of Grant	Grant Township Hall 835 West Hoague Road Manistee, MI 49660
Township of Hamlin	Hamlin Township Hall 3775 North Jebavy Drive Ludington, MI 49431
Township of Logan	Logan Township Hall 3975 Tyndall Road Branch, MI 49402
Township of Riverton	Riverton Township Hall 2122 West Hawley Road Scottville, MI 49454

Summit Township Hall 4879 West Deren Road Ludington, MI 49431

Clarion County, Pennsylvania (All Jurisdictions)		
Maps Available for Inspection Online at: www.rampp-team.com/pa.htm		
Community Borough of East Brady	Community Map Repository Address Borough Building 502 Ferry Street Suite 15 East Brady, PA 16028	
Borough of Foxburg	Foxburg Municipal Building 1417 Perryville Road Parker, PA 16049	
Borough of New Bethlehem	Borough Building 210 Lafayette Street New Bethlehem, PA 16242	
Township of Brady	Brady Township Building 935 Phillipston Road Rimersburg, PA 16248	
Township of Madison	Madison Township Building 1183 Madison Shop Road Rimersburg, PA 16246	
Township of Perry	Perry Township Building 5687 Doc Walker Road Parker, PA 16049	
Township of Porter	Porter Township Building 9485 Curllsville Road New Bethlehem, PA 16242	
Township of Redbank	Redbank Township Building 10 Swede Hollow Road Fairmount City, PA 16224	
Township of Richland	Richland Township Building 511 Dittman Road Emlenton, PA 16373	

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